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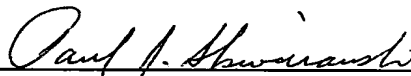
Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicant hereby submits the attached information for consideration by the Office under 37 C.F.R. §§1.97 and 1.98, as listed on the accompanying Form PTO-1449.

This is a continuation of Application Serial No. 09/888,645 filed 26 June 2001, pending and allowed. The information listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 was previously cited by or submitted to the Office in the prior application. Therefore, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(d), no copies of the listed references are required to be filed herewith. Further, in accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(3)(i), no separate concise explanation of relevance or translation for each item of information not in the English language is required because the relevance of the information does not differ from its relevance as understood in the prior application.

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